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BATMAN

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EXTRA!
A
ROBIN
SOLO-STORY
"DEATH-
POINT!"

COLLECTOR'S
ITEM SPECIAL!
THE
PEOPLE
VS
THE BATMAN

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EARLY THE FOLLOWING AFTER-
NOON, AT A LARGE, MODERN HOTEL--



--A MINSTER, FIDURE SCANS A CROWD--

MY PIGEON SHOULD BE
PASSING THIS WAY! HE'S
THE MAIN SPEAKER AT
THE BIOPHYSICS
CONVENTION--

--AND THOSE
GUYS ARE THE
CONVENTIONEERS!

SNAP



THERE HE IS-- DOCTOR HARRIS BLAIN!
I'D BETTER WAIT TILL HE'S ALONE
BEFORE I PUT MY PROPOSITION
TO HIM!



HE'S HEADING FOR THE
ELEVATOR-- PROBABLY
GOING TO HIS ROOM!
AND SOMEBODY'S
STICKING TO HIM
LIKE GLUE--

--MAYBE SOMEBODY
WITH THE SAME
IDEA I HAVE!



I'LL JUST DRIFT
IN WITH THEM--



A FEW MOMENTS LATER, ON THE TWENTY-EIGHTH
FLOOR--

PARDON ME, DOCTOR
BLAIN! MAY I
SPEAK WITH YOU?

WHAT
IS IT?



COMING TO LIFE





RISE AN' SHINE, DADDY!
DRINK THE WATER--
AN' TALK TO ME!

W-WHERE
AM I?--
WHO ARE
YOU?



YOU'RE IN
A PRIVATE
SUITE--

--AN' YOU'RE
DAMPIN' WITH
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SOME BROS TRIED
TO PUT THE SNATCH
ON YOU! I COOLED
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CONVERSATION'
WITH YOU!



YOUR...
LEADER?

GREETINGS,
DOCTOR HARRIS
BLAINE!

YEAH... NAME OF
THE BATMAN!

YOU'RE
DOUBTLESS
WONDERING THE
REASON I HAD YOU
BROUGHT TO ME!



THIS IS THAT REASON...
A MASTER OF EVIL
CALLED RAS AL GHUL!
ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS
I'VE CLASHED WITH HIM,
AND HIS DAUGHTER,
TALIA...

--EACH
TIME WE
CAME TO A
STALEMATE!
I ACKNOWLEDGE
I CANNOT
DEFEAT HIM
BY MYSELF!



--AND I'VE CONCLUDED
HE MUST BE DEFEATED!
HE'S MAD FOR
POWER... WORLD-
WIDE POWER--

--AND HE HAS
BOTH THE GENIUS
AND THE
ORGANIZATION
TO ATTAIN
HIS GOAL!



RAS WILL STOP AT NOTHING SHORT OF A CRIMINAL DICTATORSHIP! I BELIEVE THAT'S WHY HE ATTEMPTED TO KIDNAP YOU!

COULD BE... I'VE BEEN WORKING ON SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE USEFUL TO A HITLER-TYPE!



DOCTOR, WILL YOU JOIN US-- AGAINST HIM?

I CAN'T PROMISE. OFF-AND-ON I'M A SCIENTIST-- NOT A MANHUNTER!--AND YOU HAVEN'T EXACTLY CONVINCED ME--

GOT ANY MORE ARGUMENTS?



ONLY THIS ONE!-- IF YOU REFUSE, YOU'LL NEVER HAVE A MINUTE'S PEACE AGAIN!

YOU'LL BE HOUNDED-- BY EITHER RAS... OR ME!-- I SWEAR IT!

A TRULY IMPRESSIVE THREAT, BATMAN--



--WHICH YOU WILL NOT LIVE TO IMPLEMENT!

YOU ARE SURPRISED TO SEE ME? BE ADVISED-- MORE THAN A FIST IN THE FACE IS REQUIRED TO VANQUISH LO LONG!

I WAS NOT SUFFICIENTLY STAINED TO PREVENT MY FOLLOWING YOU!



IT IS INDEED A STRANGE COINCIDENCE-- YOU DISCUSSING RAS AL GANI FOR I SERVE HIM!

IN THE STEPPES OF MY HOMELAND, HE SAVED MY LIFE! ACCORDING TO THE RITES OF MY MONGOL TRIBE I AM THEREFORE HIS SLAVE!



SWELL! YOU THINK WE'RE INTERESTED IN YOUR LIFE STORY, OR SOMETHIN'?

IT IS MERELY COURTEOUS TO EXPLAIN WHY I FIND IT NECESSARY TO ACT AS I AM ABOUT TO!

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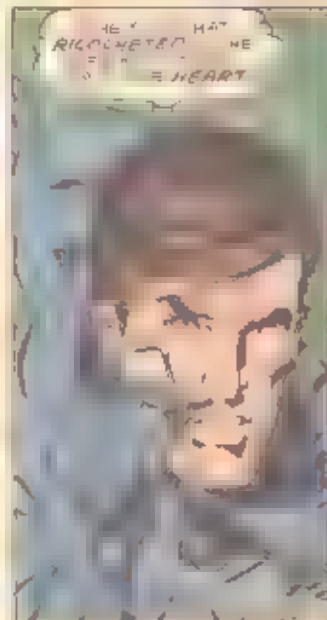
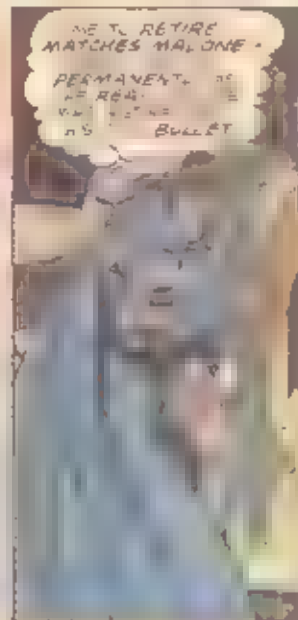
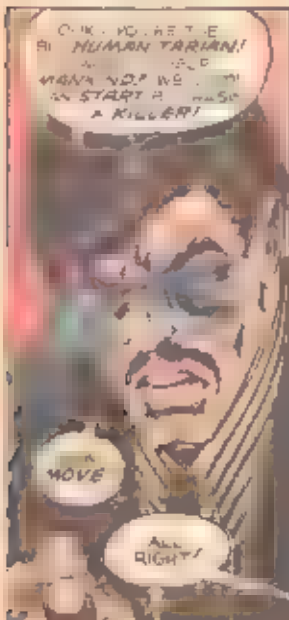
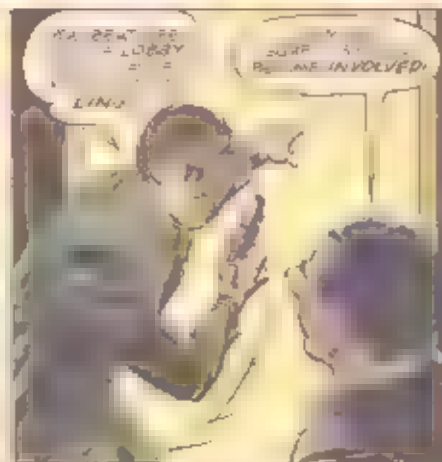
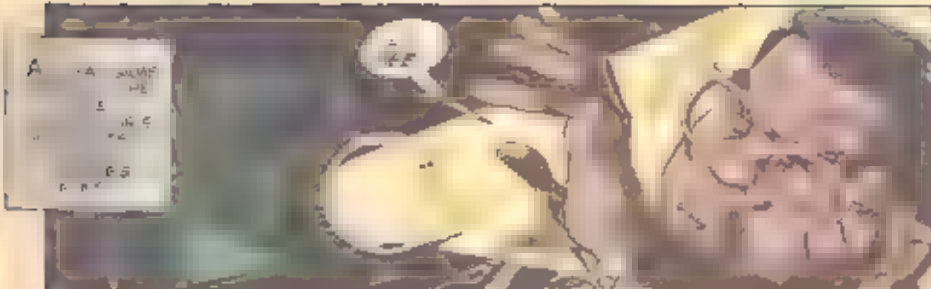
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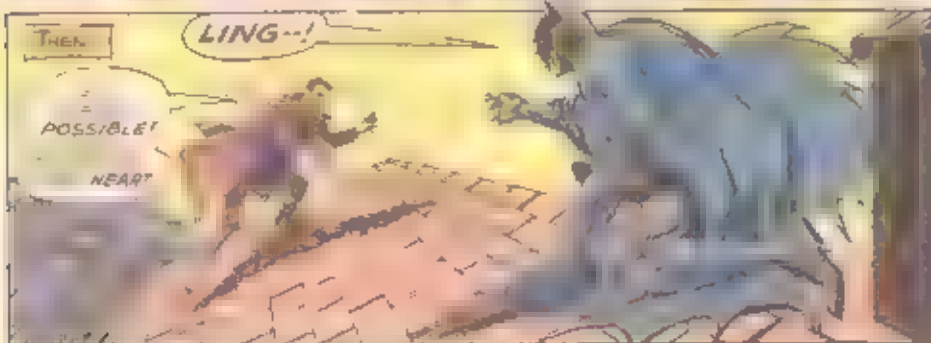
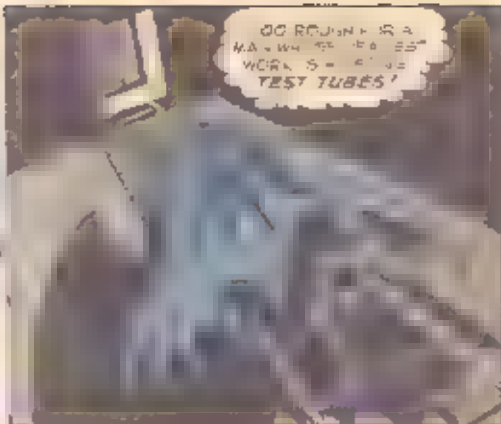
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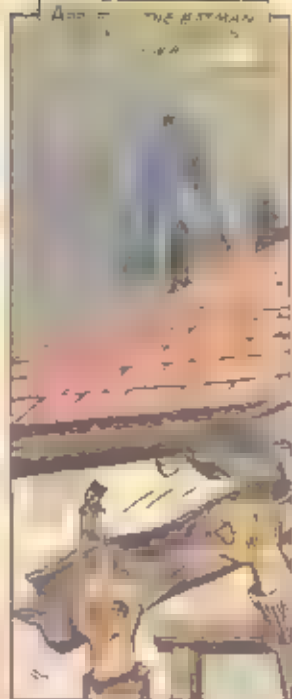




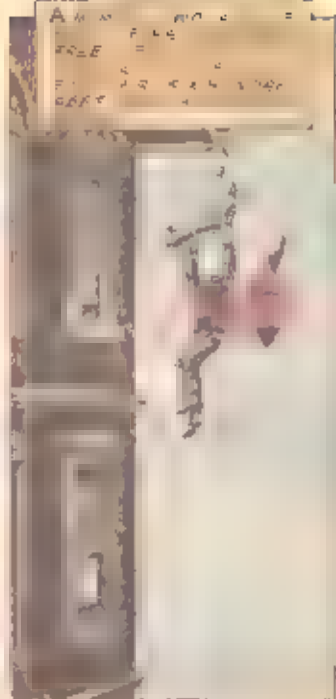


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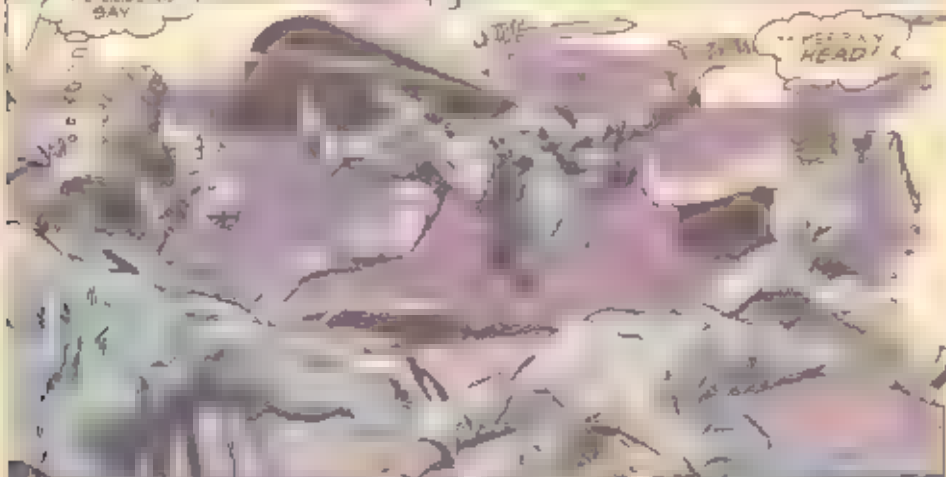


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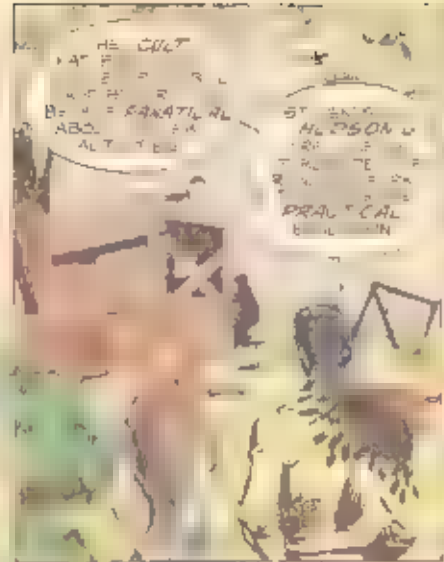
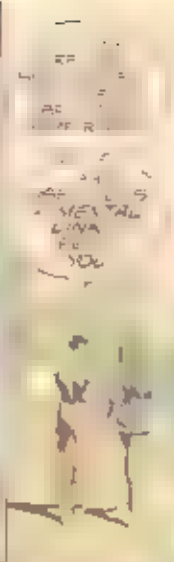
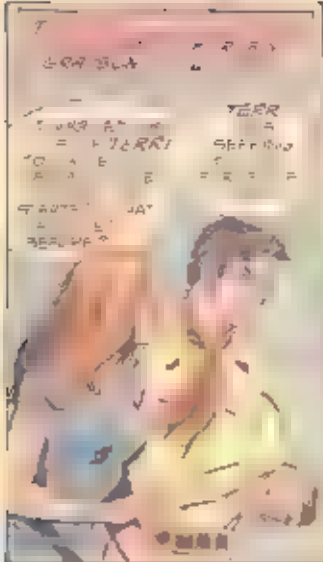
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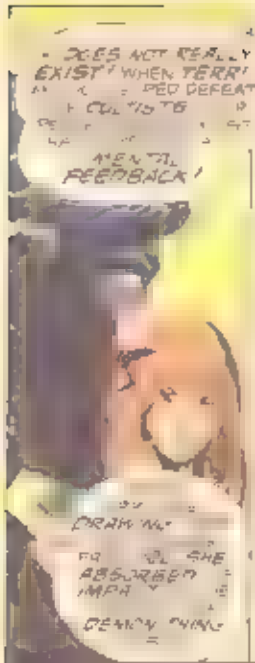
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FOR THEIR
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FOR US TO GATHER UP!





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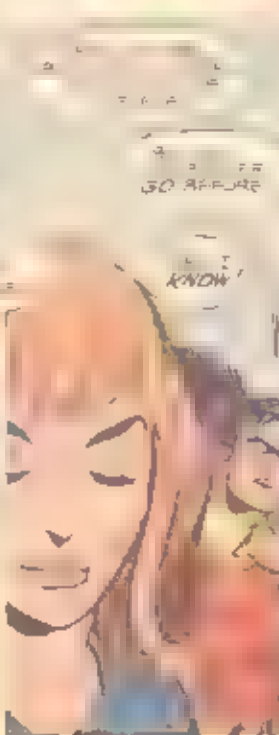


DEEP
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DEATH
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IT WORKED DEMON
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TOGETHER!



GO AHEAD

KNOW



ME
DEEP AVOID



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LETTERS

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(That Bernice is right now. JS



Dear Editor,

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Have any use for a teen-age Robin, a yellow glob around the Hal-ephlets, and various other "New Look" in-

1. The first step is to identify the problem. This involves understanding the situation and the goals that need to be achieved. It is important to gather all relevant information and to define the problem clearly.

Story number three, now — **Hustam**. A teen-ager Robin that is older than this 22-year-old Hustam, which Buckner says is "a real bird."

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temporary—in fact, too temporary to be a permanent fixture. Halman and Robin are in their late 40s, and I can't work with that energy.

So far LOC's of peace and good will. Now an'oj-



on the 11th of May, I was deeply ap-
pauled to find that he had been
killed by a bullet from the enemy's
machine gun.

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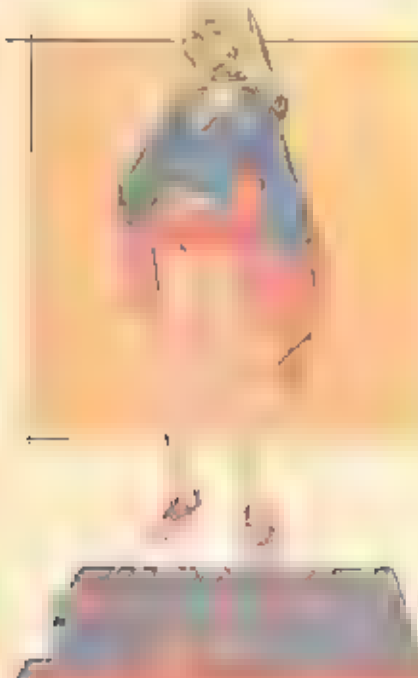
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inside a prison at the mercy of criminals. **SUPER-BOY** winds up in "An 'Iron Cage for a Hero!" That's the lead story in the June issue (#187) but it's not all! There's a case that brings "The Return of Super-baby's Pal" Gary, the little witch-boy! Is that enough? No? Then how about a Disk 'H' for Hero adventure of **Robby Reed**? I you don't know about Robby, who never knows what hero he'll be next meet him in "The Monster Maker of Littleville." On sale April 25.

Here comes the historic moment you've waited for--the meeting between **TARZAN OF THE APES** and lovely Jane Porter! It's called "A Mate for the Ape-Man!" In it you'll learn how the Jungle Lord first comes into contact with civilized men--as adapted from Edgar Rice Burroughs' *Tarzan of the Apes* by Editor Artist Joe Kubert. There's a text story from the early Tarzan Sunday pages, illustrated by the great Hal Foster! And, of course, John Carter of Mars! It's #209 June, on sale April 27.



The Batman proves once again why he's called **World's Greatest DETECTIVE**, in the June issue (#424), when he tackles a baffling case of "Double Cross-Fire!" In the same issue is "Bairn's Last Trick" which The Dominated Dare-Devil does a swan song? Maybe...maybe not. There's a **Sierra Smith** story, too, and the **Secret Service** has a Detective Classic. The **W** with a camera, we might add! On sale April 27.

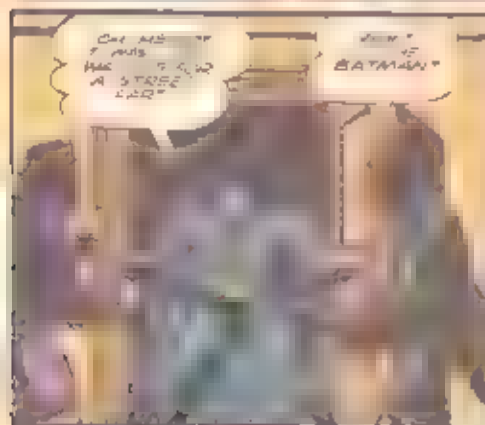
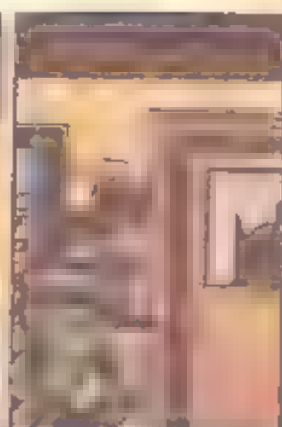
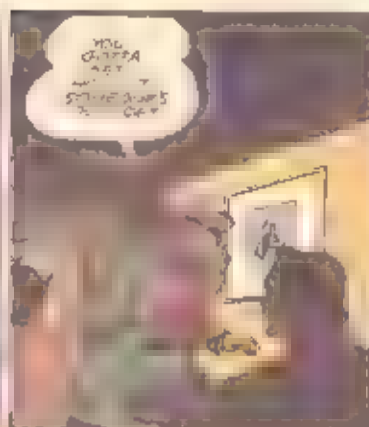
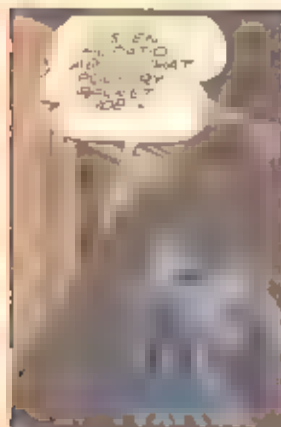


Can magic destroy the mighty **Man of Steel**? Read the June **ACTION** #413 and witness "The Voodoo Doom of Superman!" Then, having read that terrific tid-bit, turn to the new **Metamorpho** tale "The Seven Sins of Simon Staggs!" This new series on the **Element Man** is being acclaimed by all who've seen it! And there's a classic tale of **Eclipse**, the man who is both hero and villain! It's called "The Man Who Destroyed Eclipse!" On sale April 27.

Supergirl comes up against a strange group of wizards in a tale of alien evil called "And Death Shall Have No Dominion" in the June **ADVENTURE** (#420). There's also a classic adventure in which the **Maid of Night** tackles a "Monster from Krypton!" not knowing it's really a transformed **Superman**! Then you can join a Rodeo with **The Vigilante**; but watch out for a guy with a rifle determined that the show will not go on! There's a **Zatanna** adventure, too! On sale April 27.

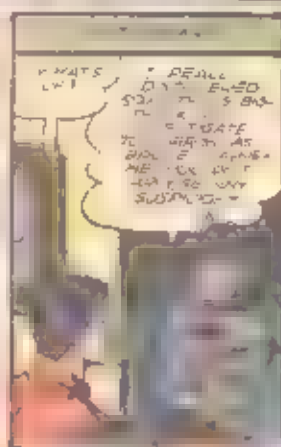
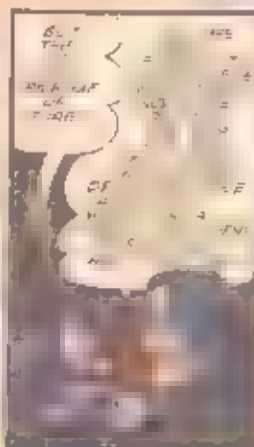
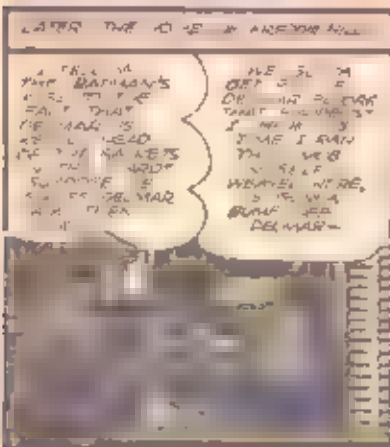
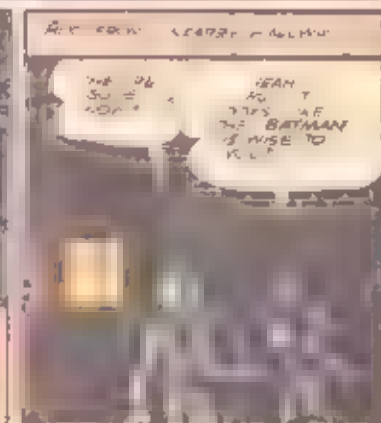
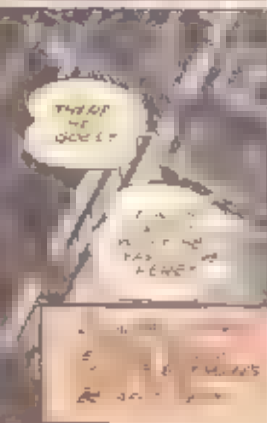


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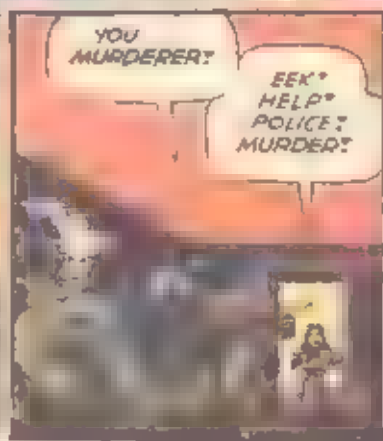
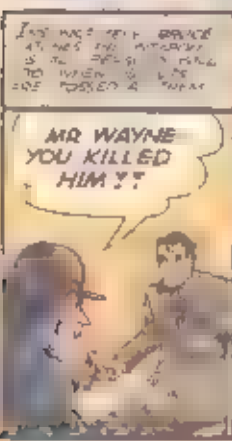
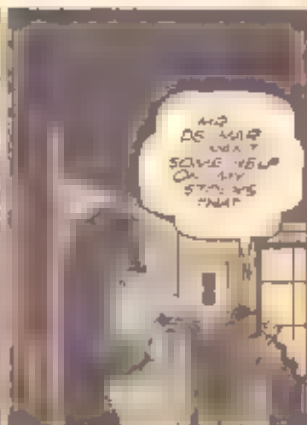
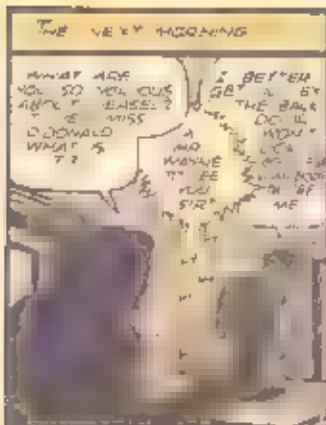


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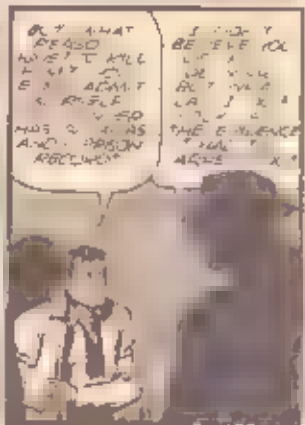
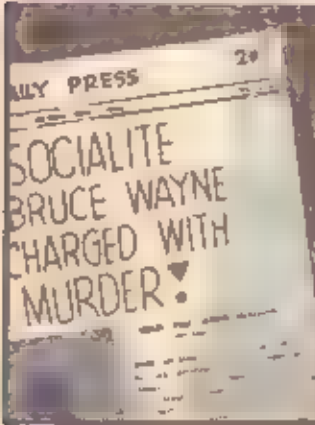
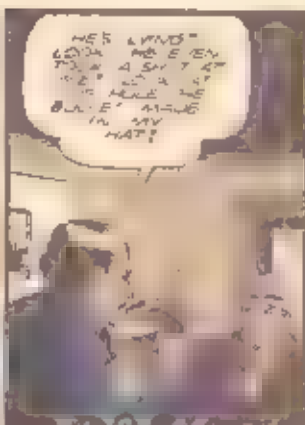


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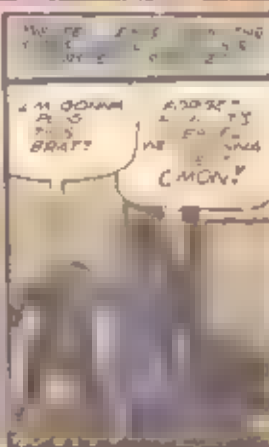
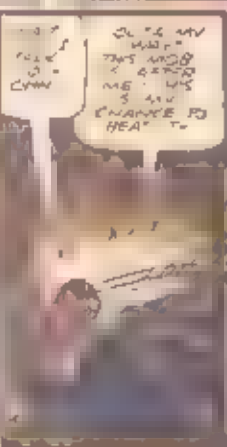
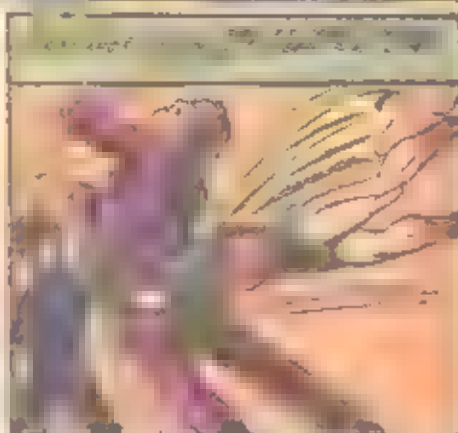
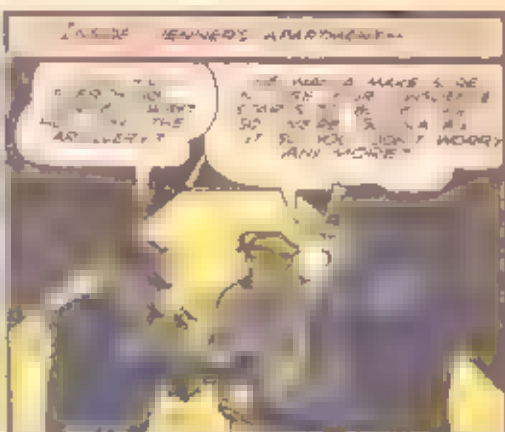




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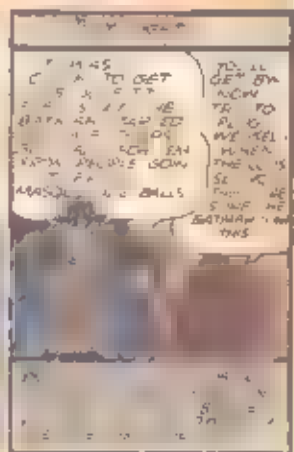
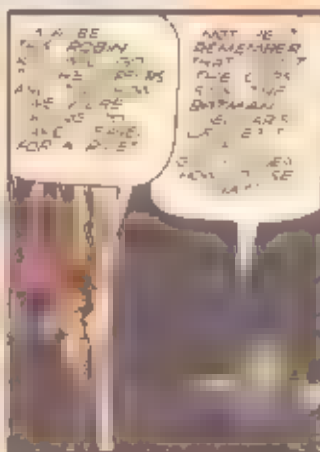
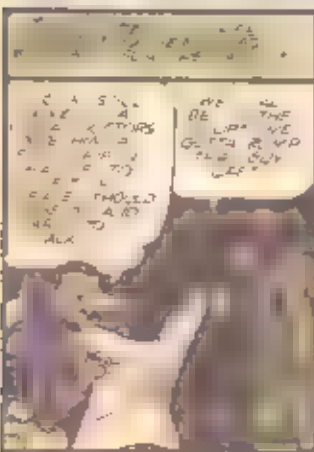
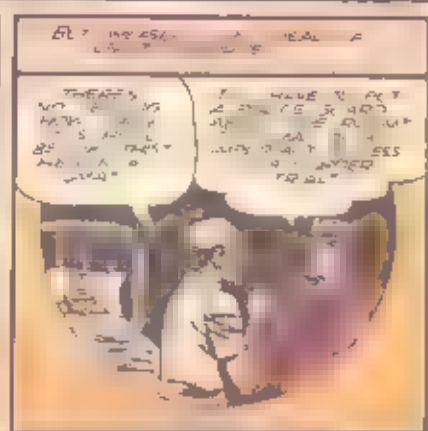
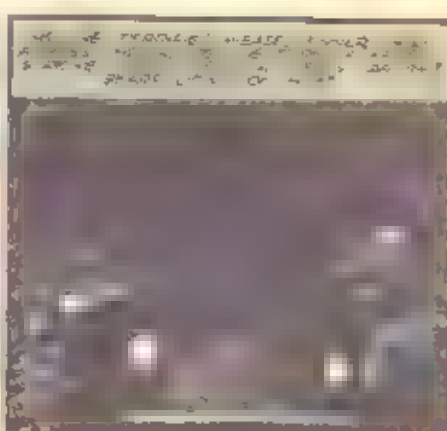


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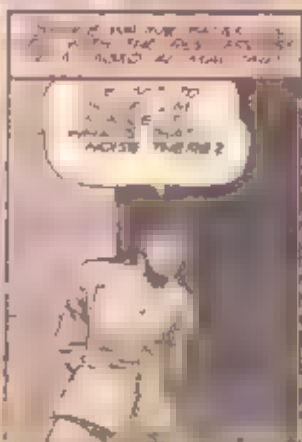
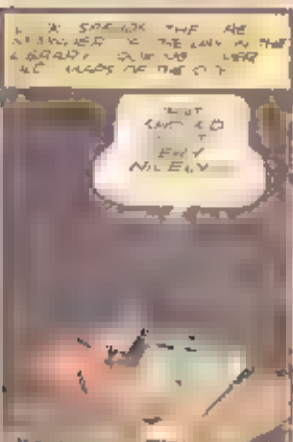
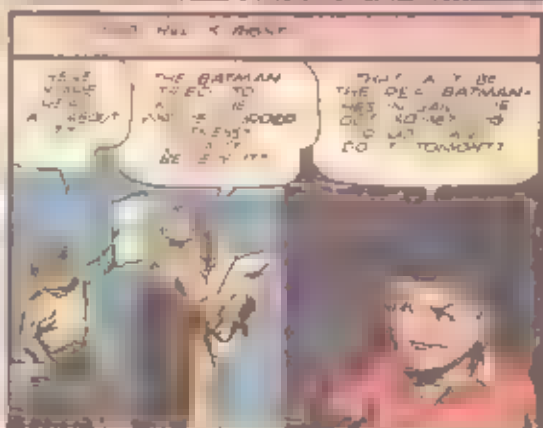
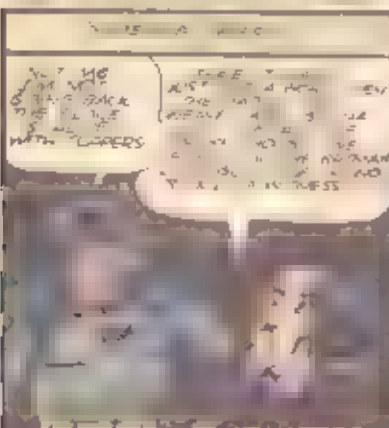
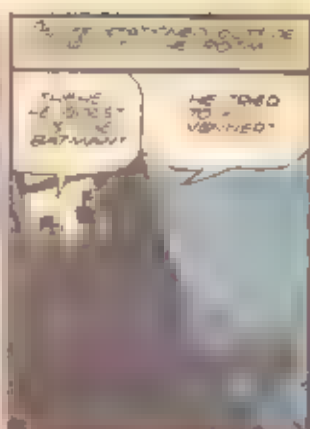


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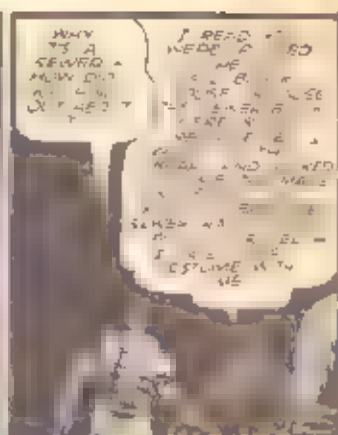
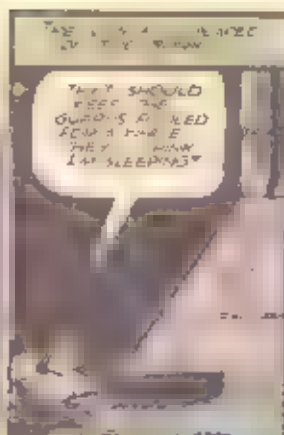


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LATER--ON A DESERTED BRIDGE-- WITH NOBODY TO HELP THEM-- THE BATMAN AND ROBIN ARE THROWN DOWNWARD SWIRLING WATERS?



DOWN--DOWN--SAW THE WEIGHTED
BODIES, DOWN TO THE RIVER BED--



MURDER NOW JUST COME OUT
OF THE CROWD AS HIS NURSE
RACES TO CALL THE DOCTOR!



BUT WHEN THE NURSE
REMARKS, SHE FINDS
MURDER IS--



AND TWO POLICE GUARDS, WHO
HAD BEEN SENT TO FORTH POLICE
NURSE TO TALK BACK BACK TO
FROM THE RESTORED COURT
THAT HE, TOO, IS--



"TWO MEN, BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE--
THEY HAD TO GO, AND AT THE VERY
MOMENT, BOLDLY, BOLDLY,
BATMAN, FIGHT FOR HIS LIFE
ON THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER!"



DETERMINEDLY
THE BATMAN
BATES HIS BODY,
BATH AND BATH
ON THE RIVER!
EDGE--
WILL HE SAVE
HIMSELF IN TIME?





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"BUT HE MAKES IT! AND NOW HIS BUSHY FINGER IS CLING FEVERISHLY AT ROBIN'S BOOTS!"



"HOLD IT JUST A MOMENT MORE!"



"THAT'S THAT! NO DELICIOUS NO BATHING! NO ROBIN! NO PUT THE FINGER ON ME!"



"NOT A FINGER— BUT THE WHOLE FIST!"

"THE BATMAN!"



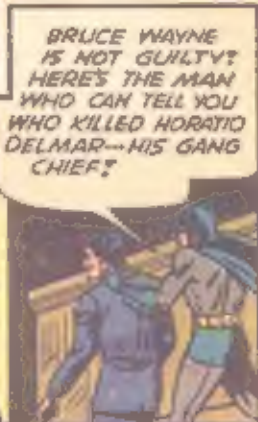
"NOW I'VE FINISH THEM, ROBIN!"



"IT'S A PLEASURE!"



"I SAY THAT BRUCE WAYNE PROVED HIS GUILT BY BREAKING JAIL AND—"



"BRUCE WAYNE IS NOT GUILTY! HERE'S THE MAN WHO KILLED HORATIO DELMAR—HIS GANG CHIEF!"

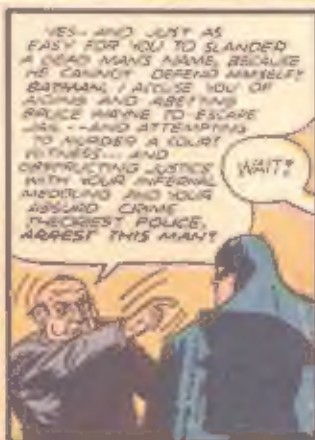
"BUT THE WHOLE WILL KNOW THE RECORDS ARE BURNED AND—"



"HE'S LIVING! HE BEAT ME UP TO HAVE THE BUSHY FINGER! ASK HIM WHY HE TRIED TO KILL VENNER IN THE HOSPITAL!"

"YES! THE POLICE SAW YOU THERE WITH A GUN IN YOUR HAND!"

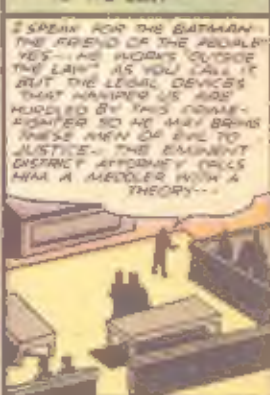
"OH, EXCUSE ME! I'VE GOT ANYBODY TO PUT ON A BATMAN COSTUME AND THROW SUSPICION ON ME!"



"YES— AND JUST AS EASY FOR YOU TO SLANDER A DEAD MAN'S NAME, BECAUSE HE CANNOT DEFEND HIMSELF! BATMAN, I ADVISE YOU OF ARREST AND RESISTING BRUCE WAYNE TO ESCAPE JAIL— AND ATTEMPTING TO MURDER A COURT OFFICER— AND OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE WITH YOUR INFERNAL MACHINERY AND YOUR VARIOUS CRIME THEORETICAL POLICE. ARREST THIS MAN!"

"WAIT!"

"CONSIDERED SORDID AFFAIRS TO THE JURY!"



"I SPEAK FOR THE BATMAN, THE FRIENDS OF THE PEOPLE! YES— HE WORKS OUTSIDE THE LAW! AS YOU CALL IT, BUT THE LEGAL DEVICES THAT HINDER US ARE HINDERED BY THIS CORRUPT FIGHTER SO HE MAY BRING THESE MEN OF EVIL TO JUSTICE— THE EMINENT DISTRICT ATTORNEY TELLS HIM A MEDDLER WITH A THEORY—"



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IMMEDIATELY THE WHOLE BROTHERS LINCOLN, EDISON AND OTHERS. THEY WERE "MERCENARIES" TOO -- AND PROVED THEIR FIDELITY. THEY MADE SACRIFICES SO THAT WE MIGHT ENJOY THE SECURITY AND COMFORT WE DO, THE BATMAN HAS DONE THAT, TOO!



THE MAN WHO HAS SAVED A NATION'S GOLD RESERVE, MOUNT FIFTY COLLETS AND SACRIFICES, BEATEN THE WUNDER, THE MURRAY MASTER, AND OTHER CRIME DEMIGODS...



THIS MAN WHO BARELY RISKS HIS LIFE TO SAVE OTHERS... WHO NEVER EARNED A PENNY... WHO PAID BY HIS YOUNG FRIEND, ROBIN, FRONTS COME WITH THE COURAGE AND DEEDS OF A HERO FOR HIS FELLOW MAN. THIS IS... THE BATMAN!



PERHAPS THIS COMES A LITTLE LATE, BUT I, THE POLICE COMMISSIONER OF GOTHAM CITY, APPOINT YOU AN HONORARY MEMBER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM NOW ON. YOU WORK HAND IN HAND WITH THE POLICE!

THANK YOU, SIRT I WISH NOW THAT I COULD FIND THE PROOF THAT WILL PROVE BRUCE WAYNE'S INNOCENCE!



THIS, FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE BATMAN BECAME AN OFFICIAL MEMBER OF GOTHAM'S POLICE FORCE!

THEN A VOICE CUTS IN--

SURE, HE'S INNOCENT? I KILLED DELAMART UNDER ORDERS FROM HILL!



WHY, YOU SQUEALING RAT-- I'LL KILL YOU!

YOU'RE TOO LATE--HILL-- I AM DYING NOW, BUT AT LEAST I'M EVEN-- YOU...!



LATER--

THE BATMAN HELPED HIM ESCAPE. HE KEPT ME IN A HIDEOUT UNTIL I WAS CLEARED!

YES, I KNOW, HE TOLD ME ABOUT IT JUST BEFORE HE AND ROBIN LEFT YOU ONE HIM YOUR LIFE!



YOU'RE RIGHT! I GUESS THE LIFE OF BRUCE WAYNE DOES DEPEND QUITE A BIT ON THE EXISTENCE OF THE BATMAN!



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